(f) if so, the details tehreof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMCALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHNTA MOHAN): To the extent information available, the production of bulk drug Dipyridamol has not been started in the country.

(b) The present ceiling price of formulations which have been fixed on 9th July, 1992 are based on the current weighted average landed cost of DGHS;

(c) and (d) Prima facie there appears to be no case of overinvoicing against M/s. German Remedies.

(e) and (f) The prices of formulations are fixed on the basis of weighted average landed cost of DGHS from time to time.

Assessment of liability of M|s. Merind by special team

4587. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) on what basis the special team assessed the liabjlity of M|s. Merind at Rs. 138.79 lakhs upto 31st December, 1993 in respect of Dexamethasone and its salts:

(b) what are the basis on which the liabiljty was revised to Rs. 781.50 lakhs for the same period;

(c) what are the details of calculations of both the assessments and how did Government tolerate suppression of liabilities by the special team;

(d) whether it is a fact that the company have also shown their liability upto 31st December, 1983 in their annual accounts and what was the amount indicated;

(e) whether it is a fact that company has not paid the dues so far; and

(f) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (f) The liability of M/s. Merind in respect of overcharging of Dexamethason and its formulations was assessed as Rs. 138.79 lacs by the Special Team for the period upto December, 1983. On receipt of complaint alleging irdegularities in the computations made by the Special Team, it was decided in 1989 to review their recommendations. Accordingly, revised tentative liability has been computed as Rs. 781.58 lacs for the period upto December, 1983 and Rs. 1610.14 lacs for the period after December, 1983.

To the extent information is available, M|s. Merind had shown its liability under DPEA as Rs. 468.07 lacs in its Annual Accounts for the year ending 31.12.1983. M|s. Merind has not deposited any amount into DPEA so far. The company is seeking personal hearing against their tentative liability and it has been proposed to give hearing to the company very shortly.

Complaints of overcharging prices of bulk drugs

4588. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs in respect of which complaints of over-charging of prices have been received during the year 1992;

(b) what is the actual position against each of these complaints and what action has been taken in each;

(c) whether it is a fact that Vitamin C, Metronidazole, INH, Ampicillin, Cloxacillin, Amoxicillin, Cephalexin, Nifidipine, Chloroquin etc. are all being overcharged on one pretext or the other;